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application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of prior application Serial Number 10/303,423 filed on November 25, 2002.

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IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

1a. [X] Enclosed is specification, claims and drawings of the continuation application with a copy of the Oath or Declaration in the prior application.

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| 5. [X] | New formal drawings are enclosed. <u>10</u> Sheets, Figs. <u>1-11</u> | | | | | |
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